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| In Re PATENT APPLICATION Of:                       |  |                              |
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| Applicants   | : Jen-Kai CHEN et al.  | )                            |
| Appln. No.   | : Unassigned   | )<br>)                       |
| Filed  | : May 16, 2001   | ) PRELIMINARY<br>) AMENDMENT |
| For  | : METHOD FOR COMPENSATING<br>DIFFERENT CLOCK SIGNALS BETWEEN<br>SWITCH AND PERIPHERAL DEVICE | )                            |
| Attorney Ref.                                      | : SUND 202   | )                            |
| Commissioner for Patents<br>Washington, D.C. 20231 |  |                              |
| Sir:   |  |                              |

Preliminary to examination, please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 14 and 20, and add new claims 21 and 22 as follows:

- 14. (Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the N-th queue link node QLN(N) further comprises a fifth field for recording a source port speed of the N-th packet.
- 20. (Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein the N-th link node QLN(N) further comprises a fifth field for recording a source port speed of the N-th packet.
- --21. The method of claim 18, wherein the N-th link node QLN(N) further comprises a fifth field for recording a source port speed of the N-th packet.
- 22. The method of claim 12, wherein the N-th link node QLN(N) further comprises a fifth field for recording a source port speed of the N-th packet.--

## **REMARKS**

Claims 14 and 20 have been amended and new claims 21 and 22 have been added, to eliminate multiple claim dependencies. Please enter these claim changes prior to calculating the fee. Examination of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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## MARKED UP AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

- 14. (Amended) The method of claim [12 or] 13, wherein the N-th queue link node QLN(N) further comprises a fifth field for recording a source port speed of the N-th packet.
- 20. (Amended) The method of claim [18 or]19, wherein the N-th link node QLN(N) further comprises a fifth field for recording a source port speed of the N-th packet.